

Harrity. With McKinley as the candidate of the Republicans there will be a sweep politically such as this country never saw before, and Mr. Harrity knows that, too.

tion of the Stone bill, passed the lower house of Congress last Wednesday. The bill excludes all persons between the ages of 16 and 60 who cannot read and write some lan guage. It also excludes persons who come across merely to perform labor, and with no intention of becoming citizens. It declares all labor contracts with aliens void, and makes a violation of this feature punishable by a fine of \$1,000 or one year's imprisonment, either or both. The bill also imposes a tax of 50 cents a head on every immigrant. The aged parents of children who have become citizens of the United States are excluded from the provisions of the act.

## The Worst Tornado of Modern Times.

of St. Louis on Wednesday afternoor last, and death and destruction marks its pathway through the twin cities. The list of the dead is simply appalling, and even at this date it is scarcely known how many lives were lost in the awful dessolation, but the number will doubtless reach the one thousand mark, though the exact number, as in the great Johnstown flood, will never be known. Many smaller towns in Missouri and Illinois also suffered irightful damage from the hurricane. many of them fatally, will swell the list very greatly. A district in the city bounded on the north by Choteau avenue, west by Grand avenue, south to the city limits and east to the river, is virtually a mass of ruins.

Within this territory searcely a building has escaped injury and thousands of them are in ruins. The storm literally cut a swath through the city half a mile wide and four miles long, leaving little standing in its wake. Many steamers on the river were destroyed and but few of those on hoard were saved. Of the loss by drowning there can be no definite estimate formed, but the numbers run up into the hundreds. Thousands are homeless, their property having been swept

lief has been pouring in from all sections and the poor and destitute are being cared for as well as the circumstances will permit.